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THANK YOU, GOVERNOR.

Maui's County Fair is held up by Governor McCarthy as a shining example of how things should be done in his message to the special session of the legislature while some unfavorable criticism of the Territorial Fair is evident in comparison. He even goes so far as to say that if the Territory cannot hold fairs the Maui way they had better be done away with.

Here's the tribute to Maui's fair as written by the Governor:

"In carrying on the Territorial Fairs up to the present time large sums of money have had to be expended for temporary work and great losses have been experienced in trying to salvage the buildings and other property. From the fair commission could carry on the work.

"The Maui Fair Association has worked in an entirely different manner; it has permanent grounds and permanent buildings that, once the buildings are installed and erected, are there to stay. The result is that the Maui Fair can be conducted on business principles.

"The Territorial Fair should be handled in a similar manner and I have had a proposition suggested to me by the promoters of the Amusement Park that the Territory have buildings erected in the Amusement Park and, during the period of the fair, the fair commission lease the park with all the facilities belonging to the company. This appeals to me but I would suggest that the legislature look thoroughly into the matter so that at the regular session some definite action can be taken either to carry on the Territorial Fair on a permanent basis or do away with it entirely."

FOREIGN LANGUAGE SCHOOLS.

One of the really important subjects which will be considered at the special session of the legislature is the foreign language school, its suppression or its regulation. The subject was pretty well thrashed out at the last session of the legislature when the Japanese objected to either abolishment or to any regulation of the foreign language schools that meant anything. The bill passed the house and lost in the senate.

It is not necessary at this time to go deeply into the subject again in editorial comment. Proponents of the intended legislation assert that the Japanese language schools teach a code of ethics which is un-American, inculcate teachings which are antagonistic to American ideals and are a deterrent to Americanization of children born in Hawaii of Japanese parents. Opponents to the legislation insist it would be an infringement upon the rights of residents if they be not permitted to learn the language of their parents. There is evidence aplenty that the matter taught will not be of any use to the students as American citizens and may be a deterrent to their advancement.

In a community where there is so large a Japanese population as in the Hawaiian Islands and which from geographic position and commercial tendencies is in such close contact with Japan there can be no doubt an acquaintance with the Japanese language is advantageous to persons of all nationalities. If it is good for the Japanese it is good for the haole and the Hawaiians. But the Japanese school is for the Japanese, and other children will not attend them even if they would be welcomed.

On the other hand the whole problem might be solved by introducing the Japanese language as an optional study in the public schools after a certain grade is reached. Then the department of public instruction could see that teachers were competent, could have control of the subject matter taught, the claim of the Japanese that they have a right to have their own children learn the language of their parents would be answered and other children would have an opportunity to acquire a language that might prove very useful to them. If the money now expended on Japanese schools by the Japanese be paid to the territorial school fund a course in Japanese for all would readily be furnished and a solution of the whole difficulty secured.

In any event the Japanese may expect that even though they be permitted to continue language schools it must be under Territorial regulation.

BUSY SESSION PROMISED.

In his message to the legislature which assembled in special session Wednesday Governor McCarthy has clearly set forth the immediate needs of the Territory which he considers most salient and important and has outlined enough legislation and investigation to keep the legislators busy for days and days to come. If tackled in a systematic and businesslike way, however, the special session need not be protracted. Undoubtedly there are matters which some persons will think are urgent enough to have mention in the message which have not been touched upon but it is to be remembered that the regular session is not many months away.

Outstanding in legislative needs is the securing of additional revenue and that subject is given first place in the message. The proposed remedy would tax corporations, firms and individuals not upon a net income but upon such net income plus the amount that is paid for federal income taxes. It may seem a hardship upon the taxpayer but, on the other hand, the Territory is not concerned with what the taxpayer has to pay to other government than itself. It will fall chiefly on the corporations and through them on the stockholders in decreased dividends.

Schools and teachers' salaries are next treated and it is admitted by practically every one that legislation on those subjects are essential.

As to wharves, three projects are mentioned and the Kahului wharf plan is given hearty support and passage of legislation to enable a bond issue is urged. Other matters are treated and in another part of this issue of Maui News will be found extracts from the message where it is of most interest to Maui residents and taxpayers and digested on other points.

While other legislation is not precluded by the message there is so much outlined and suggested in the message that most other subjects will be passed over by the legislators until the regular session. There is some Maui legislation which may be given attention including the proposals for free transportation of school children who live at a distance from schools, detention homes or homes for delinquents on this Island and the employment of a man and a woman truant or probation officers here. There is a mass of other legislation Maui would like to see pass which will probably have to wait.

LICENSING CHAUFFEURS.

Weaknesses in the ordinance for the licensing of chauffeurs on the Big Island were pointed out in an editorial in the Hilo Tribune last week. The same criticisms will apply to the Maui ordinance.

Under the present ordinance, here as on Hawaii, a purchaser of an automobile is granted a license to operate a certain make of machine but that does not prevent his or her operating another machine without having to prove ability to handle it. Per example: A Ford or some

The Optimistic Pessimist

Answering the query as to why a dead palm tree is allowed to stand in all unsightliness in front of the steps that lead to the pathway in front of the county building on High street, the explanation is simple. If the tree were removed there would be left a dangerous hole in the sidewalk.

Claus Spreckels has said in New York that the price of sugar will have to drop to pre-war figures before the present decline stops. Claus Spreckels is a refiner, however, the wish is father to the thought and he has attempted to forecast sugar prices before.

One evening last week a Wailuku lady dimmed the lights of her car as she approached other cars and not one of the fourteen dimmed in return. Thus there is one driver out of fifteen, anyway, who is thoughtful of the safety and comfort of others. It's not a bad idea for others to try the same experiment and then the ratio will be still further increased.

Quarantine for imported dogs is reduced from 120 to 30 days. That's a good beginning. It is now only about twice as long as it should be. After a while there will be quite a number of blue blooded bow-wows in Hawaii nei.

After all it was easy to vote in Hawaii. In Florida there were Regular Republican, "Lilly-white" Republican, Democratic, Socialistic and Prohibition tickets in the field and the candidates names appeared in alphabetical order without reference to party.

A Honolulu man has gone to jail for a year rather than pay his wife \$60 a month as ordered by the court. Some would call him stubborn while others would say he is merely determined to have his own way at any price.

Encouragement is to be found in the report of the Illinois grand jury that baseball is "only crooked in spots." It will please the public if the crooked spots be cut out of all parts of the game except the pitchers' delivery.

Sands are shifting at Wailuku as a bather has to walk out to the end of the pier to reach waist depth. Always knew there was a beach at Wailuku like the one advertised if only some one could find it and now here it comes, like Venus arising from the sea.

Mines are dangerous off the coast of Holland, says a news head. No more so than many so called mines of the mainland in which stock is being sold to unwary "investors."

And now comes the Army practicing economy in men's clothing under a ruling of August 5, which says that officers and enlisted men are permitted to wear trousers when off duty. The are considered as being on duty whenever they are on the reservation where they are stationed. The coat is to be worn with the trousers at all times, which are to be of sufficient length to nearly touch the ground at the heel. But why the coat? Perhaps the next administration will alter the ruling so as not to shock one's modesty.

other car that is simple and easy to learn is purchased. The owner learns to operate it and passes an examination by the chauffeur license officer. Later a more expensive machine is purchased, larger, heavier, more complicated and more intricate in management. It is true that license reads that the holder of it can operate a Ford but he proceeds out upon the Island roads and town streets and other car operators and pedestrians are forthwith subjected to the danger of being come upon by a driver who is not competent to manage his machine, though he might run another machine well enough.

Maui News agrees with the Tribune that this is not right. A clause should be inserted in the ordinance governing the issuance of chauffeurs' licenses enabling the inspector to specify in the license exactly what make, or makes, of car the holder is entitled to drive. Only in the case of highly skilled and experienced drivers should a blanket license be issued permitting the holder to operate any type without restriction. It is not necessary or advisable to make more than a nominal extra charge.

There should be included also a clause penalizing any automobile driver found operating a machine which he is not licensed to operate.

Court records, some of which may be of interest and value, are reported to be stored in the attic of the jail and other records to have been thrown promiscuously in boxes and to be in a bad state of preservation. Blame for the condition is not placed upon the present judge or court officers but upon those of the past but the condition is one which the county should seek to remedy. Valuable rights are dependent upon preservation of old records and undoubtedly the court will welcome county cooperation in an effort to have them properly cared for. Whether such work is the duty of the county or court officers is of no consequence so far as the public is concerned.

Hilo papers tell of consideration by the Hawaii board of supervisors of a resolution asking for territorial and federal aid in building roads to and through the "Kilauea National Park." Where do you get that "Kilauea National Park" stuff? Once more it must be mentioned that there is a Hawaii National Park, not all on the Big Island and the "Kilauea Park" is a home made label.

Maui wants a fair every year. If ten percent of the attendants at the last fair went to the Territorial fair it would mean that 15,000 persons on Maui would not see a fair except at home and there is not adequate transportation to take 1600 persons to and from Honolulu.

Senator Jack Coney will be missed in the legislature. The gentleman from Kauai had a record for efficiency and sound judgment but it failed to save him and the Garden Island has the only democrat in the upper house to represent or misrepresent it.

One of these days Maui will awaken to its need of a public library with shelves as well filled, at least, as those in the library at Hilo. In that respect the Island is sadly deficient. Here's work for the Maui Woman's Club to urge.

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